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Optical Pickup Device

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The USPTO issued an Office Action dated May 18, 2006 to which the Examiner attached the PTO/SB/08 pages for that IDS and for another IDS filed October 27, 2004. However, page 1 of the IDS filed May 7, 2004 was not attached. Instead, two pages of page 1 of the IDS filed October 27, 2004 were attached to the Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that a copy of page 1 of the IDS filed May 7, 2004, duly initialed by the Examiner, be returned to the undersigned.

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Also enclosed is a copy of an International Search Report issued in the corresponding Japanese application.

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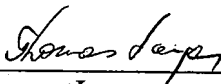
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